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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Supplemental to the Request for Continued Examination filed November 10, 2006 and in response to the Advisory Action dated October 13, 2006 and Office Action dated July 10, 2006, finally rejecting claims 11-17 and 20-17, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.